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DANISH WORLD FLIGHT
PROGRESS.

UNEXPECTED ARRIVAL.

Following Captain D'Oisy's
Footsteps.

(An Occasional Correspondent.)

Canton, April 12.

Rather unexpectedly although they were two days late, the Danish world flier, arrived here this afternoon.

At first the airman was due on Saturday. Inclement weather, boisterous wind, poor visibility, heavy rain and generally unfavourable flying conditions led local people to think that the departure from Hanoi would not be made for some days.

About 1 p.m. to-day, the aeroplane was over the city. After looking about, the airman found the landing place at Tai-sha-tau and came down safely. Only a few guards and a mechanic or two were on duty. They helped the visitor to put away his machine in the shed, and a telephone message was sent through to the Aviation Bureau. The Chief and about twenty others immediately rushed down to Tai-sha-tau (off the East Bund) to welcome the flier.

After the usual felicitations, it was decided to record the official welcome on April 13 (yesterday). I am told that the aviator effected a good landing. He left Hanoi at 8 p.m. and flew the 550 miles in five hours. It is not known when he will put off for Shanghai.

OTHER FLIGHTS.

Captain D'Oisy, the French aviator, also took five hours to do the Hanoi-Canton stage. His machine was of 400 horse-power and his speed of 110 miles (for that leg) was described as extraordinary. D'Oisy also landed at Tai-sha-tau, shortly after the premature report of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Major Zammi, the Argentine flier who was nearly drowned as the result of a collision (while in a small boat) in Hongkong, failed to arrive in Canton as his aeroplane was damaged while putting off from Hanoi. He then used his seaplane, came on to Hongkong and proceeded North where earlier the delay prevented him from completing his flight.

Details of the Venture.

Two land machines, built in Denmark and equipped with Lorraine-Dietrich 400 h.p. motors of the newest model, started from Copenhagen on March 16.

The following route was followed:—Lemberg, Constantinople, Aleppo (March 22), Bagdad, Basra, Bender Abbas, Karachi, Agra, Calcutta (March 31) and Rangoon (April 3).

At Rangoon, Lieut. Herschend was forced to land 28 miles away on account of engine trouble. Lieut. Botved has since continued the flight to Bangkok and Hanoi, and his arrival at Canton is now reported.

The next stop is Shanghai, 800 miles away. D'Oisy went from Canton to Shanghai in 9½ hours. The rest of the projected trip is by way of Peking, Tientsin, and Tokyo, and return by the same route.

Each of the two Danish Flying Corps officers is accompanied by a non-commissioned officer. The machines are marked "Denmark R1" and "Denmark R2," with the red and white colours. Two extra motors were forwarded to Tokyo—one to Bangkok and one to Karachi.

It is not known which machine was flown by Lieut. Botved, and which was the one that is still supposed to be at Rangoon.

FISHERS' PATRON SAINT.

To-day, according to Chinese superstition, is the festival of the patron saint of fishermen.

It is the birthday of Puk Tai. At Cheung Chau Island, the celebrations last several days, the feature being a theatrical show in a huge matchbox, with the image of Puk Tai (removed from the temple nearby) occupying the seat of honour.

Hundreds of local fishing boats are en fête at Cheung Chau.

DR. HO'S OFFER.

WILLING TO FIGHT ANOTHER
ELECTION.

AN APPEAL LODGED.

Dr. S. C. Ho has sent to us, with a request for publication, a copy of the following letter in regard to the Sanitary Board election:—

Hongkong, April 13, 1926.

Dear Dr. Ozorio, Hongkong.

Yesterday's election was unsatisfactory both to you and myself as the candidates, and to the electors who evinced such public spirit in the matter as to turn out in such large numbers, but only to be literally "shut out," I write to inform you that, if you are desirous of standing again and of having another election forthwith, I shall be very happy to do what ever I can to achieve this object.

I notice in to-day's issue of the "South China Morning Post" that you are reported to have said:—

"I think the election was very unfair. The electors didn't have a chance to vote. I know I had at least 700 to 800 votes, and most of them were not recorded."

I sympathise with you that so many of your supporters were not given a chance to vote, but I feel that I can claim your sympathy when I tell you—in fairness to my own supporters—that very many of them found the Registry an impenetrable fortress and were unable even to obtain admittance. You may recall that, at the time, I myself suggested that in view of the circumstances—and I feel that the authorities were not to blame, because they could hardly be prepared for the unprecedented interest taken by the public—the election should be adjourned to another date so as to give all a chance to vote. I recollect that I could not enlist your support in this regard; indeed, I gathered that your view was that the election had better go on.

Holding the same views before as well as after the election, I am only too anxious that the electors should be given every opportunity of returning to office the candidate of their real choice, and I have no wish to act as a member of the Sanitary Board unless I feel that I have the confidence of the majority of the electors.

Will you kindly inform me as soon as possible of your views in this matter.

As the question of election is a matter of great public interest I am sending a copy of this letter to the Press.—Yours faithfully,

S. C. Ho.

Dr. Ozorio's Reply.

Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio sends us for publication the following copy of his reply to Dr. Ho's letter:—

Hongkong, April 14, 1926.

Dr. S. C. Ho, Hongkong.

Dear Dr. Ho, — I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday with thanks.

After perusing the contents therein I am very pleased to note the spirit of self-sacrifice, which is such a dominant trait in the medical profession, is so well reflected in you.

As you are well aware, the reason for my accepting my nomination was the sense of civic duty, which also undoubtedly actuated your acceptance. The large number of electors who want to be in the poll on Monday last, belied the saying that civic spirit in Hongkong is dormant.

As the last election, as you yourself expressed, was unsatisfactory to all concerned, and in justice to the electors, I have had no recourse but to lodge a protest with His Excellency the Governor in Council against the validity of the said election, a copy of which I am enclosing for your information.

As the matter is sub-judice, I regret I cannot accept or refuse your very kind and sporting offer though I am grateful to you for it and must await and abide by the decision of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Press, not only because the election is a matter of public interest, but to take the opportunity of tendering my thanks to you publicly.

Yours, etc.

(Sg.) F. M. GRACA OZORIO

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RAY OF HOPE.

ATTITUDE OF BOYCOTT
COMMITTEE.

GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE.

(With Tai Yat Po.)

Canton, April 13.

Mr. So Shu-ching, chairman of the Boycott and Strike Executive, has signified to the Canton Government that in matters relating to the settlement, Government guidance will be accepted, without stipulations.

During the last few days, there have been persistent rumours that the strike will be settled shortly, and that the Canton delegates (for the conference) will leave for Hongkong.

CANTON HEALTH.

WHAT PUBLIC BUREAU DOES
IN A MONTH.

LEPROSY AND SMALL-POX.

Some very interesting information is given in the monthly report of the Canton Bureau of Public Health.

Dr. Sze-to, the Commissioner, is a highly-respected official. He refers to work for leprosy and a campaign against small-pox. His report includes:—

Three cases of air-borne and water-injected pork for sale were reported against butchers.

At the request of the Bureau of Public Safety for the vaccination of the police, instructions were given to the various public health organisations and hospitals to vaccinate all members of the police force.

18 leprosy cases were detected and sent to the new Leprosy Hospital, and 6 suspected cases were released after due examination.

On March 25, 15 leprosy, male and female, were handed over to the Leprosy Hospital at Shuking.

The water of the Water-works on two occasions was reported to be below the standard of purity.

11 coffins were temporarily sheltered in the public mortuaries; 12 removed therefrom and 11 transported to and from out-districts.

Licences given for sale of two kinds of special drugs after analysis.

Lau Ah-sam, a Canton citizen, who had kept his dead father's coffin (bier) within his residence for a long period, was ordered to remove it for interment within 3 days.

Small-pox Campaign.

In order to guard against small-pox, special attention was devoted to a campaign for vaccination.

In the crowded parts of the city, 54 centres were selected for carrying out a vaccination campaign. On March 3, a joint conference was convened at the Municipal Hospital, at which the staff and students of the Hackett Medical School, the Kwong Wah Medical College, the Sino-Franco Medical College, the Medical Division of the National University, the Tau-keung, the Women and Children's Hospital, etc. attended.

The vaccinators started work in the various sections from March 4 to March 11 for one week, with the result that 31,018 persons were vaccinated.

This campaign aroused widespread public interest and showed that the citizens of Canton readily appreciated the value of this prophylactic measure. The report closes by stating that the training of the Sanitary Police will be continued.

The Coast Inspector for Shanghai has issued a notice that on or about May 4, 1926, the "Tungsha" light-vessel, moored in the South Channel entrance to the Yangtze River, will be withdrawn from her station and replaced by the new light-vessel "Tungsha". The new light-vessel has a red hull with "Tungsha" on her side, a foremast with spherical daymark, an iron column surmounted by a lantern, and a mainmast with spherical daymark. Other particulars are also given in the notice.

OBITUARY.

WELL-KNOWN SHIPPING
ENGINEER.

LATE MR. A. W. J. HOY.

We regret to record the death of Mr. A. W. J. Hoy, engineer, of Holt's Wharf, which occurred at the Kowloon Hospital at 2 a.m. to-day.

Mr. Hoy, who was 39 years of age, had been connected with Holt's Wharf for eight years and was very well known in Kowloon and Hongkong. Prior to settling down here he had been an engineer on Blue Funnel ships engaged in the China trade and for a period he held a responsible position in connection with harbour supervision in Singapore.

As a non-playing member of the Kowloon Football Club he took a keen interest in the welfare of the team and he was also a playing member of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The late Mr. Hoy will be missed by the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders, of which he was a Committee member.

News of his death came as a great shock there as elsewhere for Mr. Hoy was of good physique and prior to going to Hospital had complained merely of a severe cold.

Death is attributed to pneumonia following an attack of pleurisy. Mr. Hoy had been in Hospital since Friday.

Masonic Activities.

The late Mr. Hoy was also well known in connection with local Masonic activities, holding the position of Master of Zetland Lodge and being a member of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and S. China. He was third principal of the Victoria Chapter and a member of other Masonic institutions in the Colony.

The late Mr. Hoy had lived for some time at Windsor Lodge, Kowloon. He leaves a wife and child who left for Hong Kong two months ago and with whom general sympathy will be felt in their bereavement.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay will conduct the funeral service.

The funeral passes the monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

CUPID'S DART.

MATCH-MAKER WHO WAS
NOT SATISFIED.

A COURT SEQUEL.

The protracted stay of a match-maker at the house of a Dairy Farm employee whom he had united to a woman from Macao led to trouble and he had to appear at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of possession of a dagger and larceny.

Evidence was given that the defendant received \$30 for arranging the match, but continued to stay in the house at Pokfulam. The husband of the woman eventually had to put him out at 5 o'clock during the absence of the husband, he demanded money from the woman. On being refused, he threatened to kill the husband, and walking into the house he took some copper cents from a till. He was stated to have carried the knife in his hand at the time of his visit.

Defendant was convicted and sentenced to four months' hard labour.

FANLING HUNT.

Arrangements for the Fanling Hunt this week-end are:—

Saturday: Hounds to meet at Sheung-shui at 2.45 p.m. for fox hunting.

Sunday: Hounds to meet at the Au-tau police station at 10 a.m. for drag hunt. There will be a train at 8.35 a.m. to Sheung-shui and a motor bus.

HARBOUR COLLISION.

Damage only to the extent of \$15 was done to (the rudder of) a local cargo boat in the harbour on Monday when it collided with the "Wing Fook" when proceeding to the junk anchorage.

In the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Adamson Cup competition for April (played at Happy Valley) Mr. C. A. Grimes qualified with a score of 99—24—75.

CHINESE HUMOUR.

AN ARTICLE IN A LOCAL
NEWSPAPER.

PUBLISHER SUMMONED.

The "Tai Kwong Po" newspaper was summoned to appear before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning for publishing matter in the Chinese language without the permission of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Sub-Inspector Stephens said that the article which appeared in the issue of April 2 had not been submitted to the S.C.A. although a warning had been issued last month not to publish matter without submitting for censorship. He thought the present article was of an anti-foreign nature and bore a hidden meaning which was that the Chinese are willing to kow-tow to Europeans, and not help their own people.

At the outset, Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, defending, tendered a plea of guilty and asked for leniency by pointing out that the censorship was instituted during the commencement of the strike and that the regulations were not strictly carried out now, as they were no longer necessary. He termed the article in question as a mild satire in regard to a gentleman who gave \$10,000 for a charitable cause and refused to allow time to a tenant to pay his rent of \$30.

The translation of the article stated that a fat, rich gentleman sitting in a rocking chair with spring wind all over his face (meaning an affable countenance) was chatting with a long-nosed gentleman, the result being that the latter secured a cheque for \$10,000 which was later ascertained to have gone to the authorities at "X port" for a building fund. The next day a thin man dressed in rags (a peasant) appeared before the gentleman in the rocking chair to ask for an extension of time to pay his rent of \$30 owing to the failure of his crops, but the gentleman's countenance turning to one of anger, the peasant was refused hearing and driven away by a servant.

An interpreter of the S.C.A. department was questioned by His Worship as to the impression gained by a reader of the article. He said that the "long-nosed gentleman" was an allusion to a European and that "X port" stood for Hongkong. His Worship remarked that he gathered the Chinese were open-handed with foreigners but close-fisted in dealing with their own people.

The case concluded with a fine of \$100.

STRIKE PICKETS.

WARRANT FOR ARREST OF
NO. 2 CHIEF.

ALLEGED DISAPPEARANCE.

According to Canton vernacular papers, a warrant has been issued (not by the Government but by the Strike Executive) for the arrest of the deputy chief of the "Communications Department."

The "Communications Department" is in charge of pickets. Whilst the chief was away from Canton, on duty, the No. 2 is alleged to have acted for him, and then to have absented himself on the No. 1's return.

Canton papers also refer to the detention in Chinese territory, just across the Macao border (in Chushan) of the second principal Chinese police detective of Macao, by the boycott pickets. It is stated that a death penalty has been applied for on the grounds of alleged lack of sympathy when the anti-Canton rising (by so-called pro-Chan adherents) in the Heungshan district last year, caused some of the pickets to seek sanctuary in, or near, Macao.

For being found asleep while in charge of the Praya East Police Station, a Chinese constable was fined \$50 at the Magistracy this morning. During six months of the man's total service of one year, the record showed that he had ten reports all of a serious nature.

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Cerebro spinal fever: 2 cases, 2
deaths (all Chinese).
Three cases of enteric fever
were notified on Monday, the
patients being Chinese.

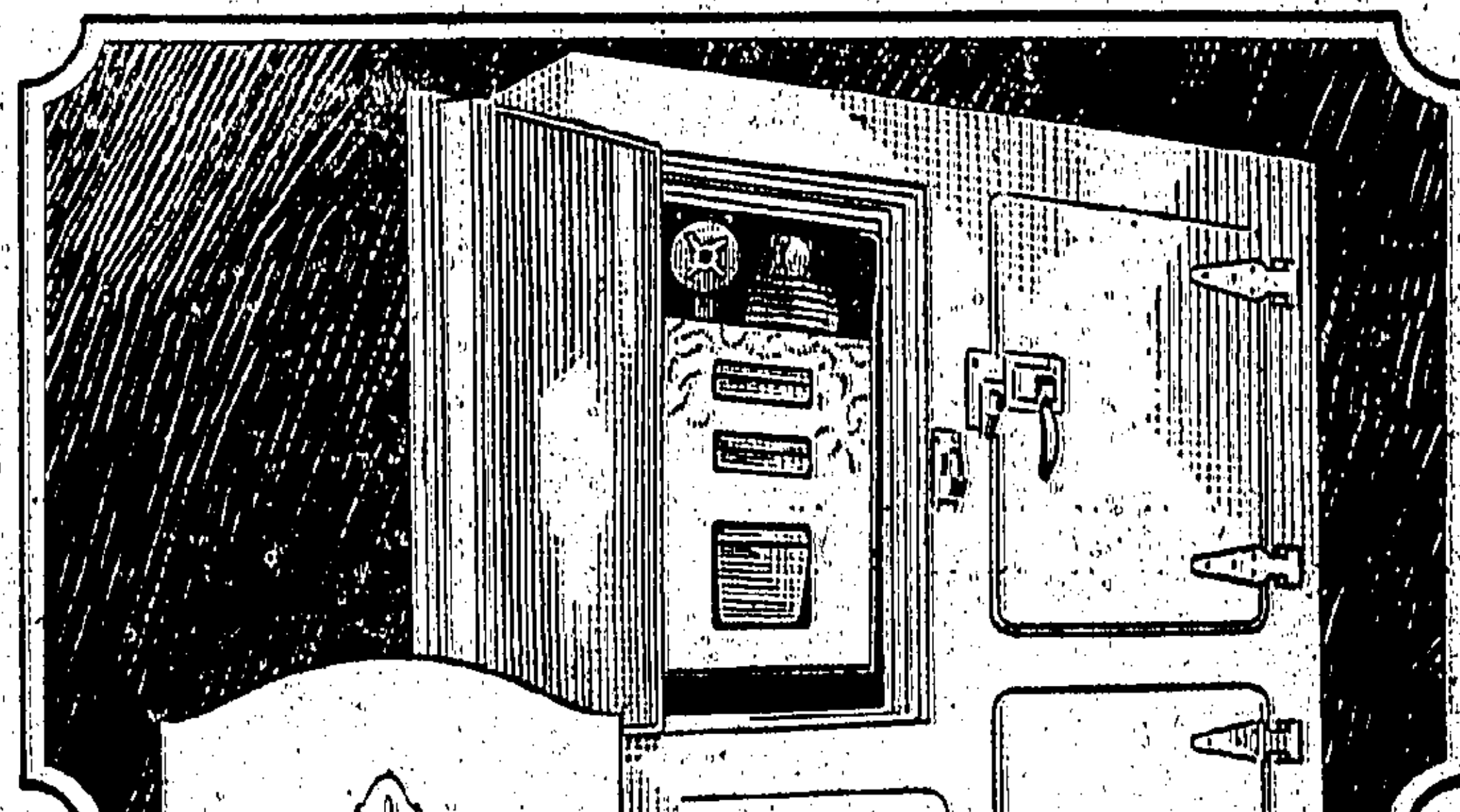
The Woman: "Have you always been selling coconuts?"
The Hawker: "Oh, no, lady... I worked me way up from 'azels."
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"MACDONALD"	11,089	18th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	9,114	22nd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	9,114	24th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARNATA"	10,962	26th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARNATA"	8,138	28th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,087	30th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACDONALD"	11,089	31st Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	1st Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	9,114	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	5th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th May	Manila, Kolumbugan, Sandakan Thursday, Isulu, Townsville, Bris- bane, Sydney and Melbourne.
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"PERIM"	7,643	16th April	Shanghai & Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	20th April	Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	22nd April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,593	24th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,962	26th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARNATA"	8,138	28th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARNATA"	8,138	30th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,087	31st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MACDONALD"	11,089	1st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,005	3rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	9,114	5th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,005	7th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,918	9th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

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CONFIDENCE IN TRADE
UNIONS LOST.

British workers, who imagine that Russian labour conditions are ideal, will find a good deal to interest them in the report which Mr. Tomsky gave to the 14th Congress at Moscow of the Communist Party. Mr. Tomsky, who is chairman of the All-Russian Council of Trade Unions, says, for instance, that, in principle, strikes in State undertakings are prohibited. A strike in a proletarian State is a proof of some defect in the State machinery, or of the weakness of the trade unions, or of lack of education on the parts of the workers. The trade unions must do everything in their power to settle disputes in State undertakings by means of conciliation or arbitration, and at all costs to avoid strikes. There have recently been certain irregularities in the settlement of disputes. Instead of being settled by conciliation and arbitration, some of these disputes have been referred to the Communist party organisations. Such action impairs the authority of the regular institutions, makes non-party workers lose confidence in their union and in the impartiality of the decisions taken, and ends by embittering disputes and disorganising the whole labour movement. In private undertakings, on the other hand, any form of dispute is allowed; but a strike may be declared only in the event of the failure of conciliation and arbitration. In no case should the trade unions exercise any administrative pressure on the private employer, for this tends to weaken the worker's notion of the class struggle and the power of the trade union. The trade union should rather strengthen the authority of the Commissariat of Labour as an impartial arbitrator.

Mr. Tomsky, it will be observed, condemns the practice of referring disputes to the Communist Party organisations. Yet, further on, he expresses the opinion that the trade unions can only fulfil their functions under the direction of the Communist Party. The Party is, he says, the organised vanguard of the working classes which directs the whole proletarian movement towards the single end of the struggle for Communism. On its side, the Party must secure that the trade unions are properly led by the Communist elements within them; but the Communist elements themselves must avoid the errors which hitherto they have failed to avoid, i.e. they must refrain from a meddlesome interference in the daily activities of the trade unions; they must also be chary of a bad choice of trade union leaders, and of too often changing such leaders when once elected. The National Minority Movement, no doubt, exists in this country to "secure that the trade unions are properly led by the Communist elements within them," although its leaders are not quite so frank about it as Mr. Tomsky is—"Engineering."

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The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Yokohama on April 9, left Yokohama on April 10, and is due at Vancouver tomorrow. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" Capt. A. J. Hailey, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on April 18.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 9.30 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on April 17, at about noon.

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April 9 to 15, 1926.

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Sat. 10	7 44	6.7	0 49	3.4
Sun. 11	8 14	8.3	1 44	2.9
Mon. 12	8 51	9.5	2 38	1.9
Tues. 13	9 24	10.5	3 32	1.7
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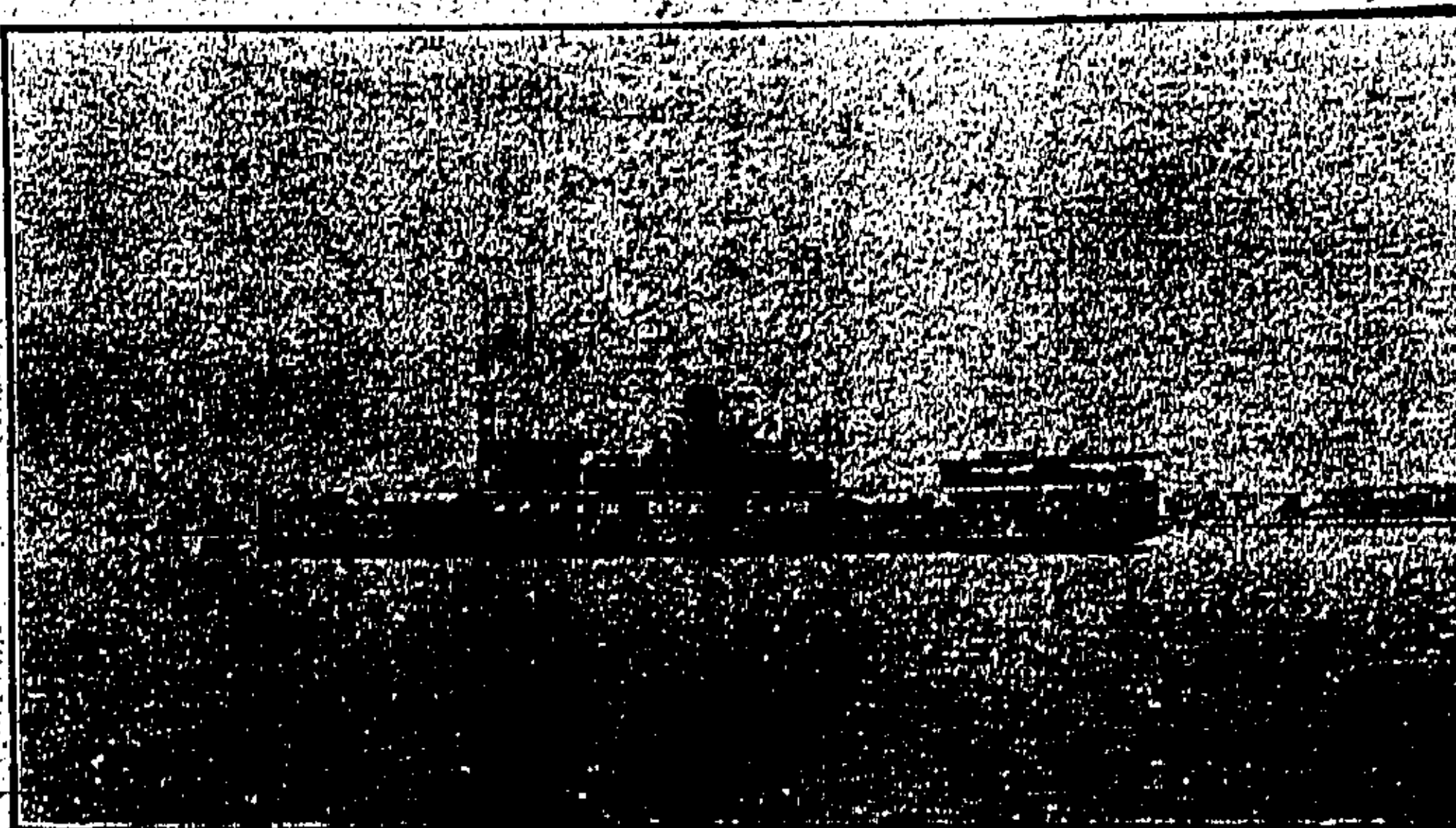
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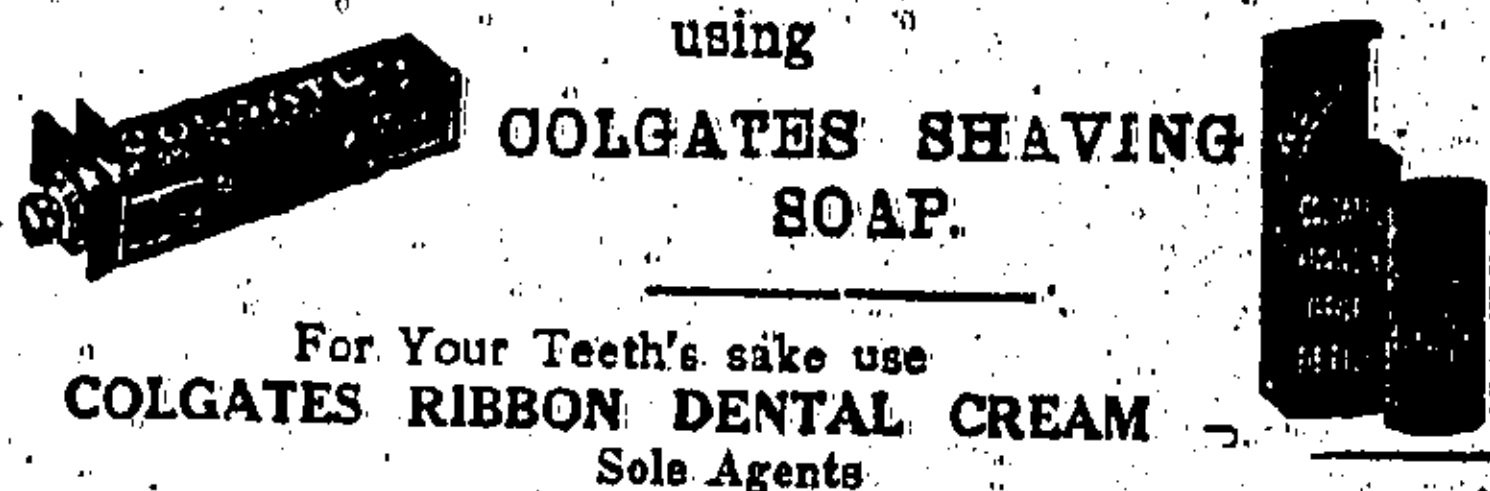
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Hongkong, Wednesday, April 14, 1926.

SPEND YOUR MONEY HERE.

In some of the provincial newspapers in Australia there is published a standing notice to readers enjoining them to support their own town or district and to remember that every penny spent locally tends directly to further local prosperity. This advice is not uncalled for, when it is known that there has been a tendency on the part of provincial residents to send for goods to the nearest big centre of trade—to wit, the respective capitals of the States comprising the Commonwealth—whilst ignoring the claims of local traders.

What is good for the Australian goose may be equally good for the Hongkong gander. A casual visitor to the precincts of the Post Office here on Home parcels day cannot but be struck by the very large number of parcels that are despatched by Home wholesale and retail merchants to people of all classes in Hongkong. From careful enquiries it would appear that this trade between local residents and business firms at Home is increasing to a surprising degree.

But—Is this fair? Is it good cricket? Is it playing the game by Hongkong firms who have high overhead costs to maintain whether trade is good or whether trade is bad? They are part and parcel of the community, and obviously the prosperity of the community must be jeopardised by the diversion of money from its rightful channels. Every dollar spent in the Colony must inevitably reflect in some favourable direction on the state of local trade. Every dollar sent out of the Colony that ought to be spent here makes Hongkong a poorer place.

In some of the provincial towns in Australia local residents may have this in their favour sometimes in ignoring local shops—that the latter's stocks are poor, inadequate, and often out of date. Therefore if rural traders grumble at the bigger centres cutting in on them, it is often due to their own lack of enterprise and initiative. Here in Hongkong no such plea can be advanced. The local stores will bear comparison with any port in the Orient for being abreast of the times both in respect of stocks and qualities. Why, then, pass them over and send your custom 10,000 miles away? Local patriotism calls for more than mere "trumpet blowing" on "red letter days." It calls for that most practical test of all—the spending of your money in the place where it is earned. In other words, as the community supports you, it is "up to you" to support the community!

ELECTION THOUGHTS.

There is danger and delight in elections. The importance of Being Earnest might well be the theme of any contest. Electors, use a vote, but do they weigh the consequences? Do they compare candidates and policies and decide accordingly? Generally, they do not. And it is perhaps too much to expect Hongkong to be the shining example to the world on the question of how a vote should be used. Thus it comes that Portuguese vote for a patriot and the Chinese plump for their own man—and policies and sanitation or anything else can go hang. It is something like Chesterton's detestation of a form of patriotism which is summed up in the words—My mother, drunk or sober! Whilst legal minds are seeking a solution of Monday's "regrettable fiasco," let us offer one suggestion that will obviate any difficulty whatsoever in the future. In the Federal elections in Australia it is enacted that each voter must go to the poll. If he does not he is fined. Copy this example in Hongkong and officials will know as near as matters, how many of the "free and independent voters" to cater for, while the exchequer may receive such additions to its coffers as will pay for the expenses of the election, and the cost of returning to Portugal and Peking, for why should not Hongkong "tell the world" of its limited emancipation? One of Monday's candidates has broken out into trifles. He assures us that an ounce of constructive assistance is better than a ton of destructive criticism. If sounds clever, but facts are against him. In Hongkong, at any rate, there is sufficient evidence to prove that often an ounce of destructive criticism has been better than a ton of constructive assistance. We desire *clashes* and therefore do not call this a truism. It is a fact.

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TREASURE LOST?

TWO VALUABLE SILK BOATS
FOUNDER.

TWENTY LIVES LOST.

Two valuable silk junks—of an outstanding type—easily noticeable in Canton's waterways—have foundered with treasure on board, about twenty lives being lost in the disaster.

Last Saturday, they were sailing from Canton to Sui Tang (close to the well-known silk port of Yungkee, in the Shuntak district). It was near Tai Shek Hoi that they sank. Over twenty persons, both crew and passengers, have not been accounted for. Because of their comparative immunity from attack, they carried about \$50,000 in cash, and the money went down with the junks. The arsenal, including pieces of cannon and machine-guns, were also lost.

When news of the incident reached Canton, boats were sent out with rescue complements from a hospital and an interested organisation. The result of their work has not been known.

Junks of this type, it may not be generally known, are veritable floating fortresses, although clumsy in appearance. Gun crews, provided with both obsolete and modern weapons—from brand new quick-firers to muzzle loaders and stinkpots—have often repulsed piratical hordes, or fought till their ammunition was expended. Between master and man there is a scale of reward (based on percentages of the value of cargo carried) and a fixed schedule of compensation for casualties. Huge sums of money are transported by these junks, and merchants in the silk trade are only accepted as passengers on the security of their chops. It is, however, difficult to speak of their seaworthiness even on the Canton system of waterways.

WORTHY OF HIRE?

TAKING POSSESSION OF
HOUSE.

WORKMEN'S GRIEVANCE.

A novel manner of settling a grievance was adopted by a Chinese mason and carpenter who had been engaged in building a house in Queen's Road East.

Alleging that they had not been paid wages, they determined to live in the house to the construction of which they had contributed so materially.

They did in fact do so and this led to their appearance in the Summary Court this morning, the landlord of the house in question claiming rent for the period of occupation and for their ejection. The landlord's case was that the employment of the workmen in question was entirely the concern of the contractor and that this contractor (now dead) had been paid in full for the work.

The workmen maintained that the landlord was liable for their payment and one of them stated that the landlord had, in fact, paid him \$80 in connection with the work.

This was denied and after hearing evidence His Lordship found for the landlord and made an order for possession. With regard to the money claimed as rent, a stay of execution was granted.

ARMS SEIZURES.

LARGE HAULS MENTIONED
IN COURT.

YESTERDAY'S ARREST.

The seizure of six Mauser pistols, 15 magazines, 330 ammunition clips and 4,680 rounds of ammunition was mentioned before Mr. R. E. Lindeell at the Central Magistracy this morning when two Chinese cargo coolies were charged with possession.

Det. Sub-Inspector Doyling said that his instructions were to apply for a formal remand in police custody until to-morrow morning.

His Worship granted the application, and to meet the wishes of Mr. M. W. Lo for the defence, he fixed the case for hearing on April 22.

Another case concerned a Chinese arrested at Wong Nei Chong Road yesterday with a revolver and four rounds of ammunition.

Sub-Inspector Field asked for a remand for three days, which was granted.

The local Mahomedan Community and others will be interested to know that the Mahomedan Festival, which will be celebrated on Monday, will be a very important one. The festival will be held at the Hong Kong Mosque at 10, Queen's Road East. The festival will be held at the Hong Kong Mosque at 10, Queen's Road East. The festival will be held at the Hong Kong Mosque at 10, Queen's Road East.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

Here is an interesting story of the great writer, who, during the War renounced his American Citizenship!

"James's plea was, that England had done so much for him he must give himself to her, and shortly before his death he did. The Government, to show its appreciation, sent him, through Lord Bryce, the Order of Merit; he received it when he was barely conscious; he made no sign. But later, when the nurse came to light the lamp, as if half aware of the imposing honour, he said, 'Pray spare my blushes.'"

England's one-time Ellen Terry, famous actress, has now reached the honourable age of 78 years. Here is a story told of her by Joseph Pennell who went to the Lyceum to draw the scenery of "Faust" produced by Henry Irving. He sat in a corner behind the proscenium and saw and heard much of Ellen Terry that the audience were not aware of.

"And when she entered sometimes she would, if she was late, slide down the banisters from her dressing-room as the quickest way to get on; and when there had been great applause, as soon as the curtain closed, she would start a follow-my-leader round the stage, jumping over chairs, and dragging Irving, growling, after till the curtain began to open for the bows. But the finest scene was her death when the angels appeared. The stage, the dungeon, was strewn with straw and made ready, and a thing like the top part of an eight-car outrigger was brought on, laid on the stage, and eight lovely little lady angels lay down on it and were strapped to it; and when they were strapped tight, Ellen Terry would go round and tickle them with straws, and then they were furiously, but slowly, wafted to Heaven; but the language those lady angels used was not heard by the audience in the solemn death scene."

Here are further Thumb-Nail examples, taken from sketches, her letters, of Queen Victoria's thumb-nail sketches of once eminent people.

Palmerston (from a letter to the King of the Belgians): You know, now already long, of the death of poor Palmerston, alias Pilderstein! He had many valuable qualities, though many bad ones, and we had, God knows! terrible trouble with him about foreign affairs. Still as Prime Minister, he managed affairs at home well, and behaved to me well. But I never liked him, nor could I forget his conduct on certain occasions to my Angel [the Prince Consort]. He was very vindictive, and personal feelings influenced his political acts very much. Still, he is a loss!

Carlyle (from an account in the Queen's journal of a reception at which some "celebrities" had been asked to meet her): Mr. Carlyle, the historian, a strange-looking eccentric old Scotsman, who holds forth, in a drawing, melancholy voice, with a broad Scotch accent, upon Scotland and upon the utter degeneration of everything.

Dickens: I saw Mr. Helps this evening, who brought and introduced Mr. Dickens, the celebrated author. He is very agreeable, with a pleasant voice and manner. He talked of his latest works, of America, the strangeness of the people there; of the division of the classes in England, which he hoped would get better in time. He felt sure that it would come gradually.

Youth cocks his hat and rides up Points of View, hat and rides up the street.

Age cocks his eye only to see it.

Youth puts his horse at a five barred gate.

Age chuckles grimly and sits down to wait.

Youth limps by with a broken kneed horse.

Age, through the shutters, mutters "Of course!"

Youth curses Fate for his splitting head.

Age lights the candle and hobbles to bed.

A. L.

BRITISH ART.

Some time ago Sir Joseph Duveen addressed to the Prime Minister a remarkable letter that while British contemporary art is of finer quality all round than at any time since the eighteenth century—a flattering judgment—yet "at no time did artists in this country receive less practical popular support." We cannot challenge the accuracy of a statement which is accepted, we believe, in all competent quarters, and it is little consolation to know that the reproach is of old standing against the British public, which has never been generous in its support of the contemporary work of its own artists. Perhaps for that reason we have long enjoyed the reputation of being an inartistic people, in the arts, as in music, compared with certain other peoples to whom the arts are a more essential element of life. There is at least enough truth in the charge to make us wish to be able to rebut it, and if contemporary artists are languishing for want of more popular support, it certainly behoves those who have influence in such matters to exercise it on behalf of the cause for which Sir Joseph Duveen pleads so admirably.

Where are the patrons, great and small, asks the "London Daily Telegraph"? It will not do to say that there is no money to purchase works of art. There is money for an infinite variety of luxuries, and for pleasures of all sorts. There is, moreover, an exaggerated cult of the antique—admirable in itself, and, perhaps, the best possible educator of good taste and a critical eye. If there were half the enthusiasm displayed for "picking up" and collecting the work of rising talent that is devoted to the antique, artists and craftsmen would soon be thankful for the chance and would feel the warm glow of demand instead of the chill of neglect. Fashion may indeed swing round, but the present strong feeling for colour may have its counter or later it will be realised

that the British decorative arts are flourishing amazingly. But too often in this country recognition comes either when the artist is dead or when, as in the case of De Morgan, the potter, the oven fire has been put out in despair. There is an old ingrained want of confidence in the work of the native artist—till he has become famous or fashionable. It is a tradition dating from the time when we imported our art, our music, and our craftsmen, and when it is super-imposed, as we must confess it is, upon an imperfect realisation of the truth of the saying that the world without art would be a great wilderness—which saying means little to many of those who could best afford to be discriminating and generous patrons—we better understand how it is that while we build Art and Technical Schools at the public expense, the artists who issue from them languish for support.



John Rodden, a noted designer, and who is a relative of King George V. Rodden is reported to have refused the King's request to leave the design of the Royal coat of arms to the artist, and to have insisted that it should be designed by a British artist.

MISSING AIRMAN.

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FORCED LANDING?

(Reuter's Service.)

Bagdad, April 12.
The separation of Estevez, who was leader of the flight, from his colleagues was due to a difference of opinion in the air between Cairo and Bagdad.
Estevez altered his course southward and the others pursued their own counsels and reached Bagdad from Cairo in record time.
It is hoped that Estevez has fallen in with friendly Arabs because his machine is without ration.

No Anxiety.

Cairo, April 13.

A British airman has found the missing Spanish aeroplane intact a hundred miles from Amman, with a note saying the occupants are making their way afoot, and hoped they would be picked up later.
The British airman have not found evidence of external damage to Capt. Estevez's machine, and expressed the opinion that minor engine trouble was responsible for the forced landing.
No anxiety is felt regarding the safety of Estevez and his machine. Several British machines are scouring the country-side.

His Two Comrades.

Baghdad, April 13.

The two Spanish airmen, Loriga and Gallarza, have arrived here from Bagdad and departed, after a brief interval, for Bunder Abbas.

FRENCH "ACES."

FLIGHTS TO PERSIA AND
INDIA.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, April 12.
According to the "Petit Parisien" Arrachart contemplates a flight to Persia and India with the minimum stops, while Challe intends to reach Japan.

INCINERATED.

FATE OF TWO PERUVIAN
AIRMEN.

MACHINE ON FIRE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Lima, April 13.
Guillermo Protzel and Juan Podesta, two of Peru's best aviators, have been incinerated owing to their machine catching fire during a forced landing in a storm.

POLAR RACE.

AMUNDSEN TO ANNEX "NO
MAN'S LAND."

START FOR SPITZBERGEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Oslo, April 13.
Amundsen and Ellsworth have started for Spitzbergen.
The "Aftenposten" publishes a statement that Amundsen has been charged by the Premier to annex any land discovered in his Polar flight.

Norge Leaves Pulham.

London, April 13.
The Dirigible Norge has left Pulham for Oslo.

ELECTION AFFRAY.

THREE KU KLUX KLAN
MEN SHOT.

EX-POLICE CHIEF DEAD.

(Reuter's Service.)

Herrin (Illinois), April 13.
Three Ku Klux Klan men, including the ex-chief of Police, have been shot dead in the course of fighting between the Ku Klux Klan men and anti-Ku Klux Klan adherents, following a local election.

I.L.P. SNUBBED.

NO JOINT CONFERENCE WITH
MOSCOW.

(Reuter's Service.)

Zurich, April 13.
A meeting of the Executive of the Labour, Socialist International rejected by 247 votes to 3 the proposal of the British Independent Labour Party for a joint conference with the Moscow Communist International with a view to the formation of a United International.

Moscow, March 27.—Thirty persons were killed and 300 farms destroyed in a practice fire in the Russian province of Blagovest—China Press.

COAL DEADLOCK.

NO PROGRESS AT JOINT
CONFERENCE.

AN EARLY SURPRISE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 13.
The conference between the coal owners and the miners' Executive on the owners' proposals resulted in a deadlock, no progress being made.

Miners' Case.
The miners' Executive previously spent nearly four hours drawing up a reply to the Coal Commission's recommendations for submission to the coal owners.

The reply which, like the coal owners' proposals, examines each recommendation, says that no wage is acceptable which does not provide at least a wage sufficient to furnish a decent living standard.
The miners entirely disagree with the suggestion that the districts should settle the minimum percentage. They are of opinion that the national bodies are fully competent to deal with the wage agreement question on a uniform basis.

They do not consider the suggestion for redistributing the total weekly hours over five days a week to be practical. The disapproval of the suggestion to compensate the present owners of minerals, except those who have purchased them.

They express their willingness to consider multiple shifts.

Finally, they consider that both sides should at the earliest possible formulate a national agreement, whereby the minimum percentage will be determined.

Cause of Breakdown.

London, Later.

Though nobody expected the owners' and miners' standpoints to be easily reconciled, a deadlock at this early stage in the negotiations came as a surprise.

It appears from a statement issued by the owners to night that the divergency of methods for fixing the minimum wage.

The miners pressed the owners' table figures which they proposed should constitute the minimum in various districts.

The owners insisted that this was a matter in the first place for district consideration.

It is believed that Mr. S. Baldwin, Prime Minister, who is following the negotiations closely, will intervene quickly.

[A cable of April 13 stated:—The official statement of the coal owners' proposals on the Royal Commission's report appends replies to the Commission's recommendations, ad verbatim. The replies, to a large extent, express agreement with or acquiescence in the recommendations, including a willingness to engage in national as against district discussions, which they strongly advocated.

The owners are of opinion that the recommendations for the State ownership of minerals is a Parliamentary question. They recognize that the miners do not entertain the proposal for longer hours and they therefore wish to discuss the recommendations that the definition of working time be weekly instead of daily and for greater flexibility in working hours.

The owners consider the most urgent matter is the settlement of the minimum percentage, on the basis rates and the amount of the subsistence wage in each district.]

LESS SHIPS.

TOTALS LOWEST FOR 17
YEARS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 13.
Lloyd's shipbuilding returns for the quarter ended March 31 show 843,000 tons constructing in Great Britain and Ireland, a decrease of 42,000 compared with December 31 and 322,000 compared with a year ago.

Work is suspended on 80,000 tons compared with 74,000 on March 31, 1925. The present totals are the lowest recorded since December, 1909, and are much below the average tonnage building during the twelve months before the war, 193,000 tons were commenced during the quarter compared with 160,000 during the fourth quarter of 1925, but the tonnage launched this present quarter, 190,000, is 25,000 below the previous quarter.

1,167,000 tons are building in other countries, a decrease of 17,000 as compared with December 31, 1925. The tonnage of motor-ships now building in the world is 918,000, of which 842,8 per cent. is steam tonnage.

The tonnage of motor-ships building in Great Britain and Ireland amounts to 52,7 steam tonnage, but the motor tonnage constructing in Denmark, Holland, Italy, Japan, and Sweden greatly exceeds the steam tonnage.

Barin, March 27.—An entire family of five are dead as a result of gas poisoning in their home in Dresden. A gas leak from the pipes caused the tragedy. (China Press.)

BLOWN INTO SEA.

THE END OF AN HISTORIC
LIGHTHOUSE.

WEAK FOUNDATIONS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Philadelphia, April 13.
The historic Cape Henlopen lighthouse, guarding the entrance of Delaware Bay, has been blown into the sea during a violent gale, thus frustrating the Government's intentions to protect the lighthouse by means of a number of hulks sunk around it.

The lighthouse was erected in 1765 during the British Colonial period, and was constantly used until two years ago, when a storm weakened its foundations.

HERO WORSHIP.

ARAB STEED FOR SIGNOR
MUSSOLINI.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tripoli, April 13.
Signor Mussolini and his suite visited the country between Tripoli and Zuara escorted by Arab horsemen, who saluted him in Roman fashion.

A number of the Arabs wore "black shirts" under their cloaks, and one, speaking Italian, expressed the devotion of the natives to Italy.

The visit culminated at Zuara where, after an official reception, a body of 600 Arab horsemen clad in superb burnous, performed most brilliant evolutions, after which their leader presented Mussolini with a magnificent Arab steed, with silver trappings, and a riding whip with a golden handle. He was also presented with a silver case inscribed.

THE OTHER SIDE.

"Greatest Evil in Italy."

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 13.
Signor Mussolini was the storm centre in the Senate when the Administration was pressed to make efforts to secure the ratification of the Italian Debt Settlement.

The Democrats are credited with having an eye toward the Autumn elections in the campaign of denunciation of the so-called unwarranted liberality toward Italy.

Mr. Kenneth D. McKellar (Democrat, Memphis, Tennessee) led the opposition, describing Mussolini as the greatest evil that had befallen Italy for a century. He declared that it was little short of a crime to give the Italian despot the vast sum involved in the debt settlement.

FLOOD DAMAGE.

BAGDAD MENACE SLIGHTLY
RELIEVED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bagdad, April 13.
The flood situation is slightly improved, but the flood level in the desert is stationary. Five thousand men are still working day and night.

The ladies of the Royal Family have gone to the King's cotton estate, a hundred miles north of Bagdad. King Faisal himself is temporarily accommodated in the house of a wealthy Jewish merchant in Bagdad. The damage caused by the floods is probably \$2,000,000.

It is estimated that 300,000,000 tons of water overflowed from the Tigris in the last three days, and consequently the drive round the city walls, instead of giving the usual arid desert vista, is more reminiscent of Brighton promenade. Local feminine fashions are changing accordingly, and Iraqi ladies are taking to sailor hats.

JAPAN'S EXCHANGE.

GOLD SHIPMENT TO AMERICA
CANCELLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, April 13.
The original intention to ship 2,000,000 yen in gold to America on April 17, has been cancelled owing to the recent improvement in the Exchange.

Mr. Hamaguchi, interviewed by the "Kokusan" this morning, added that he had been set for future shipments, but Government gold exports to America during the fiscal year approximated 86,000,000 yen.

Barin, March 27.—An entire family of five are dead as a result of gas poisoning in their home in Dresden. A gas leak from the pipes caused the tragedy. (China Press.)

WILD CAROUSALS.

HORRIFYING PICTURE OF
PENNSYLVANIA.

GIRLS ASHAMED OF PARENTS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 13.
Several belated witnesses for the "Wets" appeared before the Senate Committee of Enquiry into Prohibition.

The most notable was Father Francis Kasiecz, of Sugar-notch, in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania. He painted a horrifying picture of the Diocese's open saloons, wild carousals among the young, and the drunkenness of adults and even school children. He declared:

"At Summer resorts, on the lakes young boys took girls from respectable homes for week-end parties. I know of cases where good girls are ashamed of their parents' drunkenness. I was in a home where a three-year-old child was crying for the moonshine. It would be a blessing if the law was modified."

A woman probation officer of New York declared that tenement houses were the homes of stills.

State Definition.

Albany, April 13.

The New York State Senate has adopted by 30 votes to 21 a Bill for holding a referendum in the Autumn on the question of memorialising Congress to amend the Volstead Act so as to allow each State to fix its own definition of intoxicating liquor.

CHANG'S PLANS.

TO ERADICATE BOLSHIEVISM
FROM CHINA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Mukden, April 13.
Marshal Chang Tso Lin, interviewed by Pressmen, stated: "My sole object in this work is to eradicate Bolshevism from China, and as soon as that is accomplished I will withdraw to my own territory north of the Great Wall, and my entire attention henceforth will be devoted to the reconstruction and development of Manchuria, along lines of industry and peace."

Chang Tso Lin seemed embittered against Feng Yu-hsiang. He declared he was not interested in who would be the next President, though a big man was needed. "I shall keep out of politics in China, my business being entirely in Manchuria."

Control of Peking.

Peking, April 12.

The Wu Pei-fu General, Tien Wei-chun, arrived in Peking from Lukouchao this afternoon and had a conference with Lu Chung-lin who is arranging for competent civil, military, and police officials to take over the control of the city in the event of the Kuominchun evacuating it.

Wu Pei-fu has not yet replied to the Kuominchun direct, but he has informed a local representative that he must first discuss the changed situation with Chang Tso Lin.

Meanwhile the Kuominchun are desperately retarding the advance of other forces on the Tungkow and Fengtai fronts.

SOVIET FINANCE.

SOME FEATURES OF THE
BUDGET.

HOME CREDIT OPERATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, April 13.
M. Brukhanoff, Commissioner of Finance, in presenting the Soviet Budget of four milliard roubles, stated that 51 per cent. of the total expenditure was devoted to economic objects, 16 per cent. to defence, and 33 per cent. to cultural requirements.

The internal debt amounted to 44,000,000 roubles compared with 290,000,000 roubles last year.

M. Brukhanoff favoured an extension of home credit operations in preference to the further printing of bank notes.

Reginald was dining out, and under the watchful eye of his father and mother, he was being really well.

"Will you have a little of this ice-cream, Reggie?" asked the hostess.

"No, thank you," replied Reggie. "Mother nearly gassed. Never before had my darling refused pudding." "Oh, come dear, she said."

"No, thank you," said Reggie. "Then what will you have?" asked the hostess.

"No, thank you," replied Reggie. "Then what will you have?" asked the hostess.

GREEK MUTINY.

RINGLEADERS SENTENCED
TO DEATH.

RESULT OF COURT-MARTIAL.

(Reuter's Service.)

Athens, April 13.
An extraordinary court-martial has sentenced to death Colonel Zavellias and Major Karakoufa, leaders of the Karabournou mutiny; and sentenced seven other officers to various terms of imprisonment.

[An Athens message of April 9 stated:—An official statement says that Majors Bakirdji, Karakoufa, and Zavellias led the mutiny of a small number of troops who occupied Karabournou, in the Gulf of Salonica. Karabournou was surrounded. The fleet was ordered to proceed to Salonica. Subsequently it was announced that the mutineers had surrendered.]

Another Sentence.
Athens, later.
Colonel Bakirdji was also sentenced to death, but the capital sentences have been commuted.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

List of passengers arrived from Seattle via Ports per s.s. "President McKinley" on April 13.

Mr. Chan Chi-hang, Mr. S. Dunn, Mr. F. W. Henke, Miss L. K. Haus, Mr. T. Hanow, Mr. Ip King-fan, Mr. K. Enaleeli, Mr. Kong M. Quan, Mr. and Mrs. Ng Wai-nan, Master Ng, Miss V. Reinhart, Mr. and Mrs. G. Stoney, Mr. Wong Yuk-tin, Mr. J. D. Watt, Mr. A. Warnts, Mr. G. H. Schner, Miss L. E. Johnson, Mr. J. Kosh, Mr. E. A. Moon, Mr. E. E. Mathewson, Mrs. S. Osmena, Mr. J. V. Osmena, Mr. and Mrs. J. Storer, Mr. P. M. Titus, Mr. M. P. Weiderman, Mr. E. Woosner, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. P. Waterhouse, Mr. Yuen Lan-yung, Mr. F. Zamora and Rev. P. Zunzairren.

Per P. & O. s.s. "Delta" from Kobe and ports on April 13 arrived in Hongkong on April 13.

Shanghai to Hongkong: Mr. W. H. Smith and Mr. J. McQueen.

Kobe to Bombay: Miss E. Ford, Mr. A. M. Rahim, Mr. J. S. Wadia, Mr. D. T. Uhinchandania, Corp. and Mrs. Sahxon and two children.

Shanghai to Marseilles: Mr. A. M. Caman.

Shanghai to Singapore: Mr. H. M. Hodges.

Shanghai to Colombo or Bombay: Mr. Abdool Currim.

Shanghai to Colombo: Mr. J. Hassan.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 14—Queen's Theatre: "Wild Oranges."

April 14—Star Theatre: "The Marriage Market."

April 14—World Theatre: "The Song of Life."

April 14—Sixth Concert in aid of St. John's Cathedral organ fund, at Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.

April 15—Queen's Theatre: "The Last Laugh."

April 16—K.C.C. hold its final dance at Hongkong Hotel, 8.30 p.m. to midnight.

Sports.

April 16—Local Hockey, H.K.H.C. "Wanderers" v. "C" Company, E. Surrey Regiment, at U.S.R.C., 5.30 p.m.

April 17—Shield finals, Junior and Senior Divisions, H.K.F.C. Ground.

April 17—Volunteer Cricket at University ground, 2.15 p.m.

April 21—Fifth bi-annual ship's lifeboat race for the "Trevesa" Trophy, 4 p.m.

April 24—Final round in "Sunday Herald" Cup, between Portugal and England, on H.K.F.C. ground, 4.45 p.m.

April 24—Annual athletic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club.

April 21—Auction of household furniture at No. 10 Eastern House (top floor) Hart Avenue, Kowloon, by Lamont Bros., 2.45 p.m.

Company Meetings.
April 15—Nineteenth meeting of shareholders of Gande, Price & Co. Ltd., at No. 2, Ice House Street, (St. George's Building), noon.

April 22—Forty-eighth meeting of shareholders of China Sugar Refining Co., in the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., at noon.

April 24—Fourth meeting of shareholders of Lane Crawford Ltd., Royal Building, Ice House Street, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous.
April 14—Meeting of Hongkong Baseball Association, in the office of the American Consulate, 8.15 p.m.

April 16—Meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, in the City Hall, 4 p.m.

April 22—Meeting of the Peak Club, in the Peak Club, 8 p.m.

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"MERCENARY MARY"

3897	{ I AM THINKING OF YOU	DUET
	{ HONEY I'M IN LOVE	"
3899	{ MERCENARY MARY	SOLO AND CHORUS
	{ IT'S A STRING	SOLO
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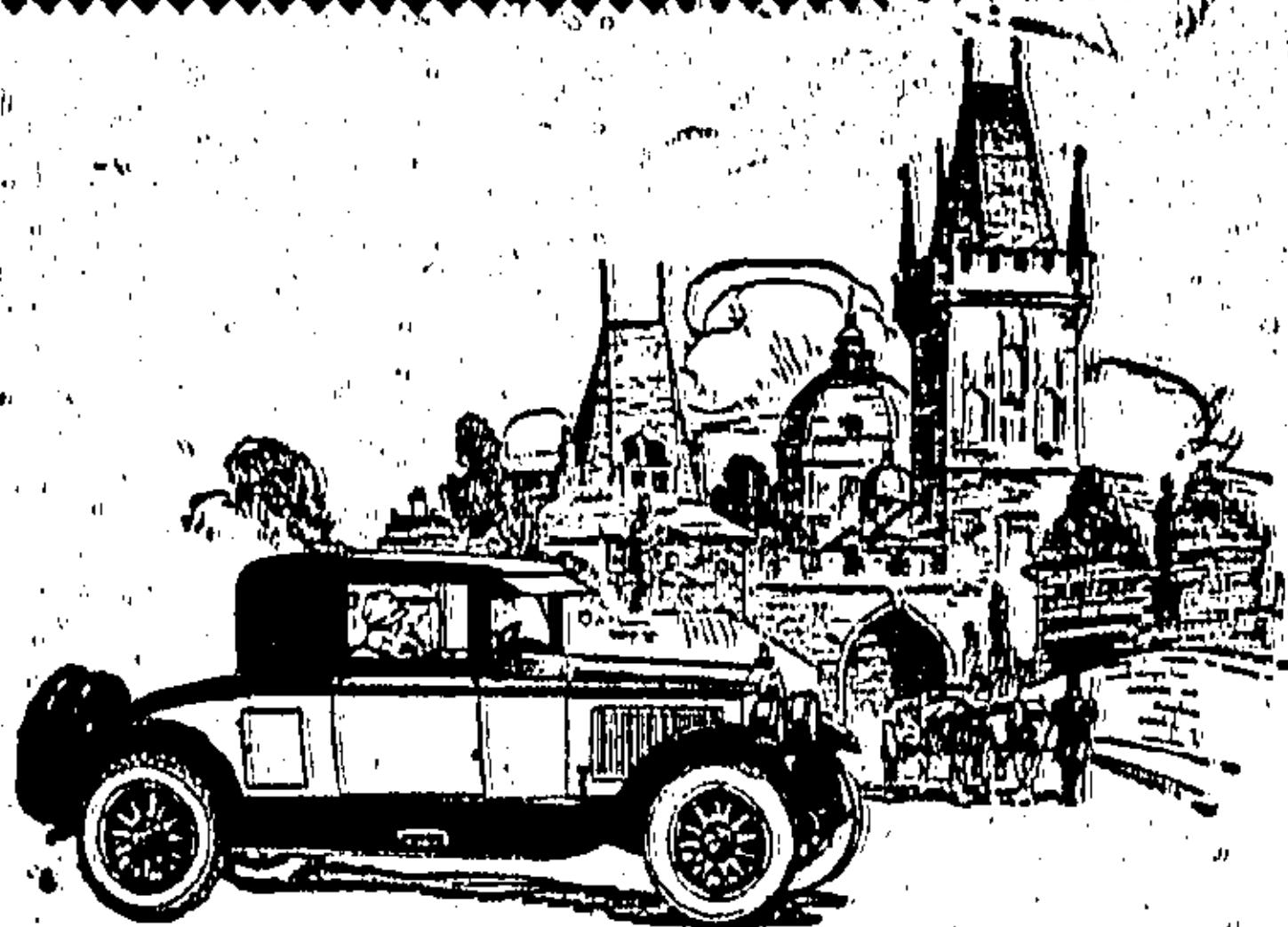
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A new machine to be installed at Victoria (District Railway) can deliver 150 tickets a minute.

For failing to produce his motor driver's license when accosted by a European traffic officer, Mr. A. J. Wheelton, of the P.W.D., had to pay a fine of \$5 at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

A case which was partly heard on Saturday was concluded at the Central Magistracy yesterday when a parcel boy in the employment of Messrs. Powell, Ltd. was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for theft of six pairs of silk stockings.

Heavy fines were imposed by the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday in several cases of illicit opium possession. Three boatmen were fined a total of \$4,320, while an officer of the "Po Sang" was fined \$3,600, being ten times the value of the seizure. A woman was sent to prison for nine months with the option of a fine of \$2,000.

Long-service medals for cats will soon have to be presented by the management of the White Star Line. Addressing members of the Sanitary Inspectors' Association the other day, Mr. S. E. Cruise (Chief Assistant Manager) remarked that some of the liners carried as many as twenty-five pussies, and some of these faithful felines had been on the strength for twelve years.

The business of watching over the lighthouses and sea marks around the coasts of Great Britain is to be depicted by means of special films, by permission of the Elder Brethren of Trinity House. More than 3,000 feet of film were taken by Mr. A. E. Jones, who went on board the Alert, the Trinity House yacht, and visited the Nore, Tongue, Mouse, Sunk, and Royal Sovereign light-ships, all in the North Sea.

In response to a broadcast appeal for volunteers for blood transfusion to save the life of a young mother in a Liverpool maternity hospital 23 persons of both sexes presented themselves at the hospital. The queue of volunteers amounted to 33, including a youth and three girls, the husband of the patient, and five other relatives. After elaborate tests it was decided to accept blood of one of the men volunteers. The husband was anxious to make the sacrifice, but his blood was found not to be suitable.

The death in England is announced of Miss Gage-Brown, formerly of Singapore.

Mrs. Kingsburg, President of the Dramatic Department of the Shanghai American Women's Club, returns from Australia to-day.

Women of various towns in Germany have celebrated their emancipation from long hair by forming "bobbed hair" clubs.

Mr. Eric Rice, travelling secretary of the Overseas League, arrived in Kuala Lumpur on his way home, after a tour of the East which has resulted in the securing of 1,100 new members for the League.

At a meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, on March 11, the diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene was conferred on L. T. Yin, M.B., B.S., Hongkong, who was a candidate from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Baths, butter, beer and jam rolls were among a host of details closely inspected and highly approved by the King during a surprise visit to Wellington Barracks, Birdseye-walk, to examine the reconstructed barracks. The visit lasted only an hour, but never has the King displayed keener regard for detail.

Mr. Bernard Shaw has written his first sub-title for the screen. It runs thus, in his own neat, workmanlike handwriting: "Good people! Do not deceive! I never go on like that. The man is really ME, and this handwriting is genuine, but the rest is a put-up job. The fire is a fake and the desk is a delusion."

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Saiyong Club on March 27, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Thomas stated that with regard to the bungalows at Pao-tai, Hill, a contract had been let for the erection of a club house and three bungalows, one of the conditions of the contract being that the building of these should be completed before Christmas this year.

"Quibble" was the Christian name of a man charged at Acton.

A "man cook-general" is being advertised for at Addlestone (Surrey).

Eastbourne Watch Committee have refused to sanction the opening of cinemas on Sundays.

Combined ages of six people who died in St. Pancras totalled 501 years—an average of 83½ years.

When a witness at Kingston said he was interested in loud speakers, the clerk remarked: "So am I. Speak up!"

"I am not going to deal with troubles in the air as well as on the earth," said the North London magistrate, when asked to settle a wireless dispute.

During the hearing of a case at Leicester Police Court a solicitor suggested that a dog rushed out of a grocer's shop and deliberately committed suicide beneath the wheels of a passing motor-car.

A new Masonic temple which, when completed, will be the largest in the country, is to be built at Birmingham. The temple is being built as a memorial to the Freemasons of Warwickshire who fell in the war.

A meeting of the Imperial Conference has been arranged to take place in London in October. In making this announcement the Prime Minister said that he hoped that all the Dominion Premiers, as well as representatives of India would be present.

Four blind typists, who have been employed in a temporary capacity by the London County Council since the beginning of 1924, have been placed on the permanent grade at a rate of pay above the minimum ordinarily applicable.

A sixty-year-old tramp stopped a Rolls-Royce motor car two miles from Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. The driver, thinking that he was ill, gave him a lift and made him comfortable among the cushions in the back of the car. At Bromsgrove the driver spoke to a policeman, who began to question the tramp. The tramp replied that the place he was going to was the workhouse. He jumped out of the car and walked into the institution nearby.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. T. B. Powell of St. John's Cathedral is due to leave the Colony at the end of this month.

A sensation has been caused in Hull by an intimation from the Prince of Wales that he would preside at the banquet which was being arranged in connection with his two days' visit to the city in May to be cancelled in view of the outbreak of influenza.

The following presents for her triplets, two girls and a boy, have been received by Mrs. J. Stevenson, the wife of an Ilkeston, Derbyshire, labourer.

The King's bounty, £3. A perambulator, (to accommodate all three). Postal orders by post. Offer of unlimited special babies' food by manufacturing firms.

Suitable clothing and socks. The babies show promise of growing into fine, healthy children.

Prince Henry is receiving many congratulations from his friends upon having successfully passed his examination for promotion to the rank of Captain in his regiment, the 10th (Prince of Wales's Own) Royal Hussars, and he is likely to receive his step in rank very shortly. The military future of this Prince has been under consideration for some time past, and a staff appointment, either on the Viceroy's Staff in India or that of his uncle, the Earl of Athlone, in South Africa, is suggested for him so soon as he receives his captaincy.

The fashion in visiting cards is changing. No longer is it considered correct to use long and narrow or big and square cards. "Many people, especially women, are always wanting something different," said a London printer. "There are a number of new styles of visiting cards, but the one which is much in demand at present is very small, measuring 2 inches by 1½ inches. There are, of course, many new ideas in break cards. One of the most popular designs we have had to deal with has been the use of the person's name in a decorative, with the address printed in small letters along the foot of the card."

Forty-one students from Japan are in attendance at the London University.

One hundred British school-boys are to tour Australia, leaving England in August.

The Church Missionary Society at Home, has received an anonymous gift of £5,000.

The French Government has ordered the destruction of 2,400 tons of old official papers.

Prisoners being conveyed in police vehicles in Leeds, are to be insured against third party risks.

It was a death-bed film scene, but the producer was not satisfied with the hero's acting. "Come on!" he cried. "Put more life into your dying."

Having imposed an absolute veto upon women drinking in licensed premises for ten years past, Middlesex Licensing Magistrates have raised the ban.

A movement in the reduction of food prices is being made by a large group of London cafes, which will make the following price alterations in their tariffs:—

Cold roast beef reduced from 8d. to 7d. per portion.
Pressed beef from 8d. to 7d.
Macaroons from 2½d. to 2d., and
Jam puffs from 2d. to 1½d.

Many smokers like to think that their favourite habit makes them immune from flu, but perhaps there is a good deal of auto-suggestion behind any such security they may enjoy. But at least one smoker (writes a correspondent) takes definite steps to "medicate" his tobacco during the winter. He adds a drop of camphor to every pipeful, which he declares improves the flavour in addition to protecting his throat.

Dr. Elizabeth M. Sloan Chesler, addressing the Parents' Association said:—

The best way to make a boy grow up was for him to have a sweetheart. Extremists of all kinds—red Communists, black-shirted Fascists, and die-hard Conservatives—were people who had not grown up. Over-indulged children sometimes failed to grow up. These "Peter Pans" were a trial to others, and they very readily developed nervous ailments in after life.

Mrs. V. Liu and Miss Reynolds of Changchow are visiting Manila with the object of collecting funds to build a school.

Mr. R. Jarvis, aged seventy, who has died at St. Pancras, fought with the Dragon Guards in the Zulu War. He drew an Army pension for forty-two years.

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"Some of the most successful people in the country town in which I spent my early days could not read or write, but their bank books were all right. Education is not everything,"—Judge Parfitt.

Although he is 73 years of age, Capt. James Arthur Page, who lives in retirement at Southampton after many years in the Army, has never been in a cinema. He has seen so many first hand pictures of tragedy, he says, that the films fail to attract him.

The King finds that during a long and tiring day he can keep up his strength on chocolate. Always he keeps in his pocket a little flat box of plain chocolate. The late Marquis Curzon found the same thing—that chocolate stimulated far better than did a smoke.

Mr. F. O. Roberts, M.P. for West Bromwich, who accompanied a delegation to the West Indies, delighted three thousand natives by playing a violin and teaching them to sing "Show me the way to go home." The coloured people showered presents on Mr. Roberts and christened him "The Sweet Singer of the Stage."

The distinction of wearing the most curious hat in London belongs to Miss Frances Knowles-Foster, F.R.G.S. When Miss Knowles-Foster was in Sweden a few weeks ago she purchased as a souvenir a Swedish hat made for a Swedish Army officer. She tried it on, found it very comfortable and a perfect fit, and is now wearing it adorned with a gold anchor.

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People and Events in the News of the World



NICOLÒ BENELLI

Nicolò Benelli, a twelve-year-old New York school boy, brought a suit of \$20,000 against Mrs. Irene Evans, his teacher, alleging that she pulled a tuft of hair from his head. Nicolò rather enjoyed the awesome inspection of his bald spot by his chums.



Frederick Woolworth, although he has a share in a \$15,000,000 legacy left by his uncle (founder of the American five-and-ten-cent stores), lives as a recluse in a lonely cabin in the woods near Bedford Hills (New York) with a male attendant. He receives no visitors and is said to be suffering from a nervous ailment.



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MARSHAL CHANG TSO-LIN

The Duke of Northumberland refused to accept the offer of Labourites to debate the land question publicly. Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the U.S. Steel Corporation, after an extensive tour, said that he believes a long era of prosperity is ahead for America. "Lockstep methods" in American colleges were denounced by James R. Angell, president of Yale, in his annual report. Marshal Chang Tso-lin, dictator of Manchuria, is still in the Chinese political limelight.



KERMITT ROOSEVELT

Kermitt Roosevelt "snapped" after his extended hunting trip in India.



REP. WILLIAM A. GREEN



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EMON DE VALERA

Representative William R. Green of Iowa, chairman of the U.S. House Ways and Means Committee, warned that a big reduction in Revenue Bill would bring a tax increase before the year's end. Senator James A. Reed, Missouri, opened the national drive against the entrance of the United States into the World Court. Bishop Murray, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in America, was ill with pneumonia. Eamon de Valera, an Irish Republic leader,



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Theodore Roosevelt, brother of Kermitt.



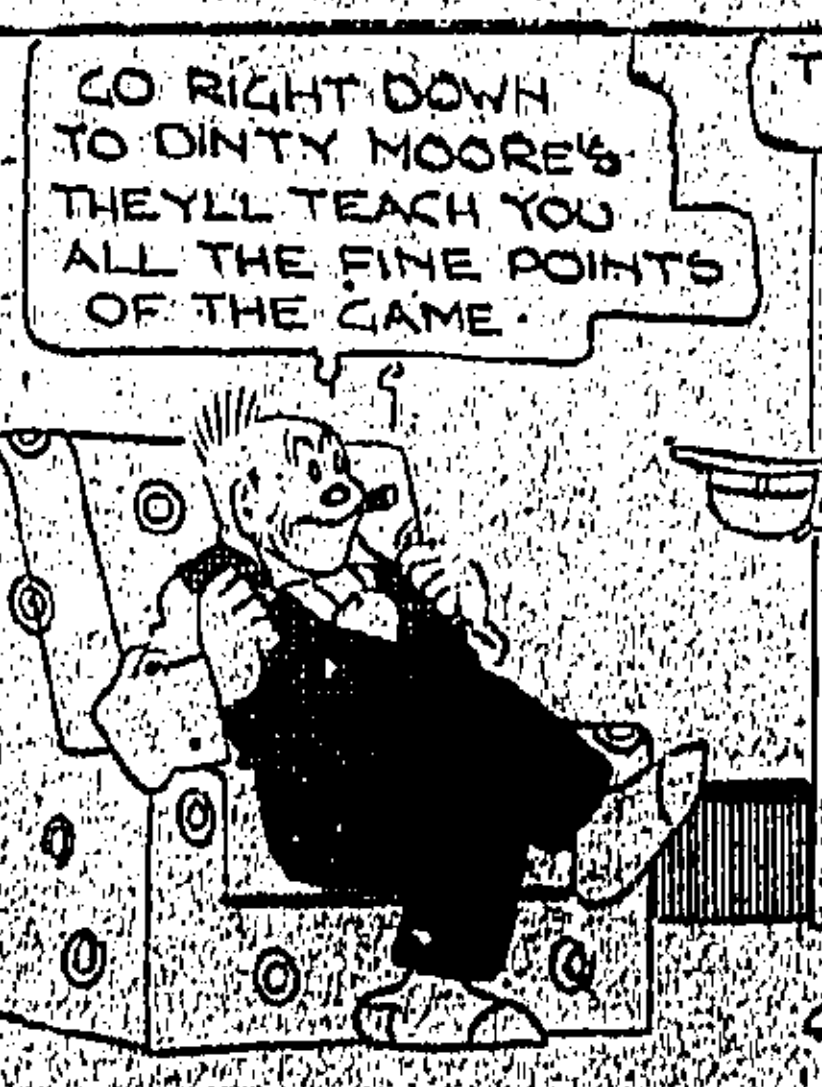
PETER SALM

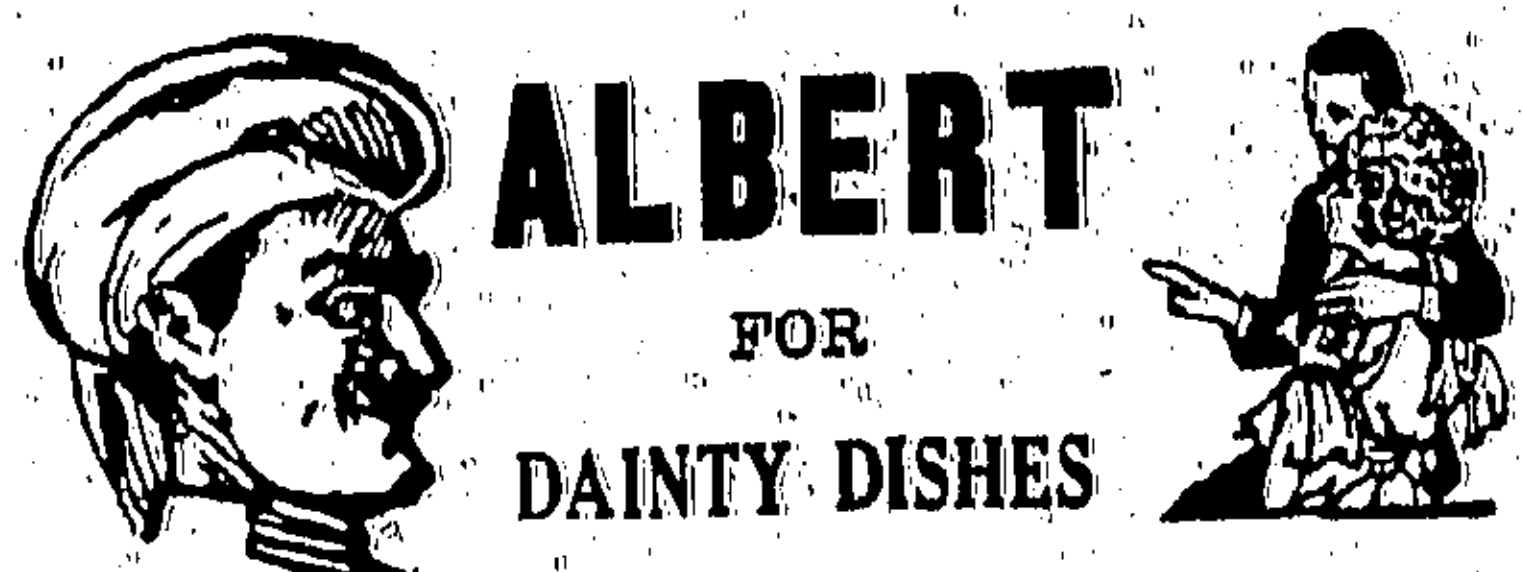
This is a posed photograph of the Salm baby, then fifteen months old. His father, Count Salm, was at palm beach to visit the boy who is in the custody of his mother, the former Millicent Rogers. She will one day inherit her father's \$600,000,000 which in time will pass on to her son, Peter. The Count is estranged from the child's mother.

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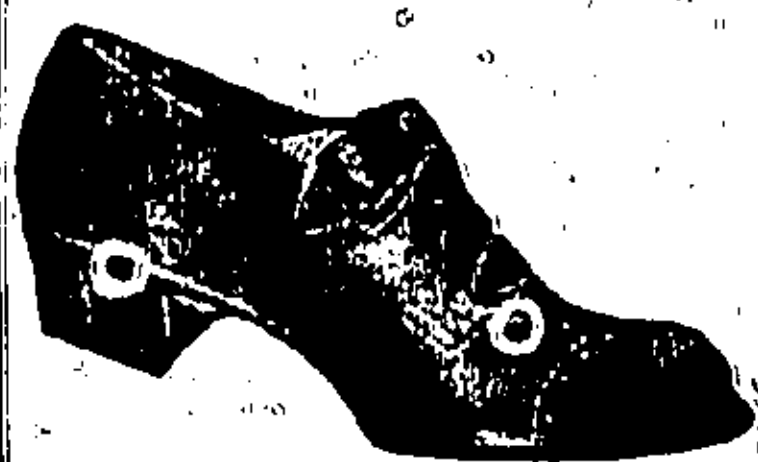
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SEA TRAGEDY ON AFRICAN COAST.

CREW LEAVES BURNING STEAMER.

Capetown, March 20.
Thrilling stories of a sea tragedy were told on the arrival of the survivors of the 7,000 tons steamer, "Papara," which was abandoned as the result of a fire off the coast of Africa on March 18 en route to Australia, comprising four passengers, five stowaways and twenty-four crew, who arrived here on the steamer "Barabool" in an exhausted condition after a trying ordeal in the blazing vessel.

There was an awe-inspiring sight as the last boat, with Captain White and eight of the crew, left her at midnight. The flames were soaring a hundred feet high. The chief engineer and the wireless operator were compelled to jump for their lives into the sea in order to scramble into a life-boat.

WEST AFRICA.

Dawn of New Era.

London, March 21.

The statement of Mr. Ormsby Gore, who is now touring West Africa, to an interviewer at Lagos marks, according to a special correspondent of the "Observer," the beginning of a new chapter in the relations between Great Britain and the native races.

Mr. Ormsby Gore is represented as saying that he did not see any necessity for the introduction of European plantations in Nigeria, in order to improve the conditions of the West African palm oil industry, in the face of growing competition from the Dutch Indies and Congo, expressing the opinion that the natives themselves are able to do everything necessary.

The "Observer" says that West African circles in London consider that Mr. Ormsby Gore is speaking with the authority of the Government and that, therefore, it can be regarded as certain that the system of European plantations, worked by concessionaires, will not be introduced in West Africa.

The "Observer" concludes with saying that if the system of independent African producers and land ownership is to be left untouched in principle, though improved in detail, this fact is of much significance to Great Britain and such European countries as the Union of South Africa, for the natives in British West Africa exceed twenty millions.

A NEW STATE.

Paris, March 20.

A message from Beirut says that the representative Council of Alexandretta, meeting as a Constituent Assembly, has proclaimed the independence of the State and voted a constitution.

It has expressed the opinion that a French President alone is capable of leading the country to new destinies. The Council has proposed for M. de Jouvenel's approval the appointment of M. Durieux, the present delegate to Alexandretta.

LINKING UP EMPIRE.

Imperial Communications Committee's Proposals.

London, March 22.

A meeting of the Imperial Communications Committee of the British Empire League unanimously passed resolutions urging that immediate steps should be taken to prepare schemes to be submitted to the Imperial Conference with the view to linking up all parts of the Empire by airship, aeroplane and seaplane, the early return of the penny post throughout the Empire, and the establishment of wireless stations in smaller and more isolated communities of the Empire with the view to linking them up with the main stations of the Empire.

INDIA'S NAVAL GRANT.

First Lord's Statement in Commons.

London, March 22.

In the report stage of the Navy estimates in the House of Commons, replying to the question of Mr. C. G. Ammon with regard to the appropriation in respect of India, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman said we should still get £100,000 from the Government of India towards the service of His Majesty's Navy on the Indian coast, although the new Indian Navy will shortly be in existence.

In the course of the Naval debate Commander C. D. Burney urged that the Conservative and Labour Parties should agree on a general policy before the Imperial Conference so that the Dominions might realize that a change of British Government did not affect safeguarding naval defence.

He declared that the Labour Government's abandoning the Singapore Base, while simultaneously increasing the air vote for the defence of Great Britain, had created an impression in the Dominions that the House of Commons was willing to vote money for the defence of England at the expense of weakening the defence of the outer Empire.

A TIP BUBBLE.

£1,000,000 IN LOTTERY NUMBERS.

TIPSTER DISAPPEARS.

The Italian Government is richer by a sum estimated at £1,000,000, and several million Italian citizens are poorer by sums varying from a few pence to many pounds, as the result of the failure of Ignazio Torracca, who enjoyed a great reputation as an infallible prophet of lottery numbers, to predict the numbers drawn by the State lotteries to-day. (States a Rome message in mail week).

A draw in this lottery is made every Saturday, people having to select from ninety numbers. For five successive weeks Torracca had correctly fore-shadowed the numbers drawn.

"Prophet's" Fame.

People made pilgrimages to his native town to obtain the numbers. When he gave them they were circulated throughout Italy and a rush on the lottery offices began. They worked overtime and opened at dawn when they were besieged by enormous crowds. Women fainted, men were injured, and windows were smashed. More than £100,000 was staked in Naples alone.

The result was received with national rage, but Torracca was not to be found. He had disappeared soon after daybreak.

MATHS & SPARKLING EYES.

Men in Italy rarely put their money on horses, but very few of them fail once a week to back their luck on the numbers drawn every Saturday at noon by the official Lottery bank. (adds a writer in a Home paper). The cabdriver and the cabdriver, the innkeeper and his clients, the washerwoman and her assistants, the shopkeeper—in fact, the butcher, the baker, and the candle-stick maker, the entire population with few exceptions, back numbers.

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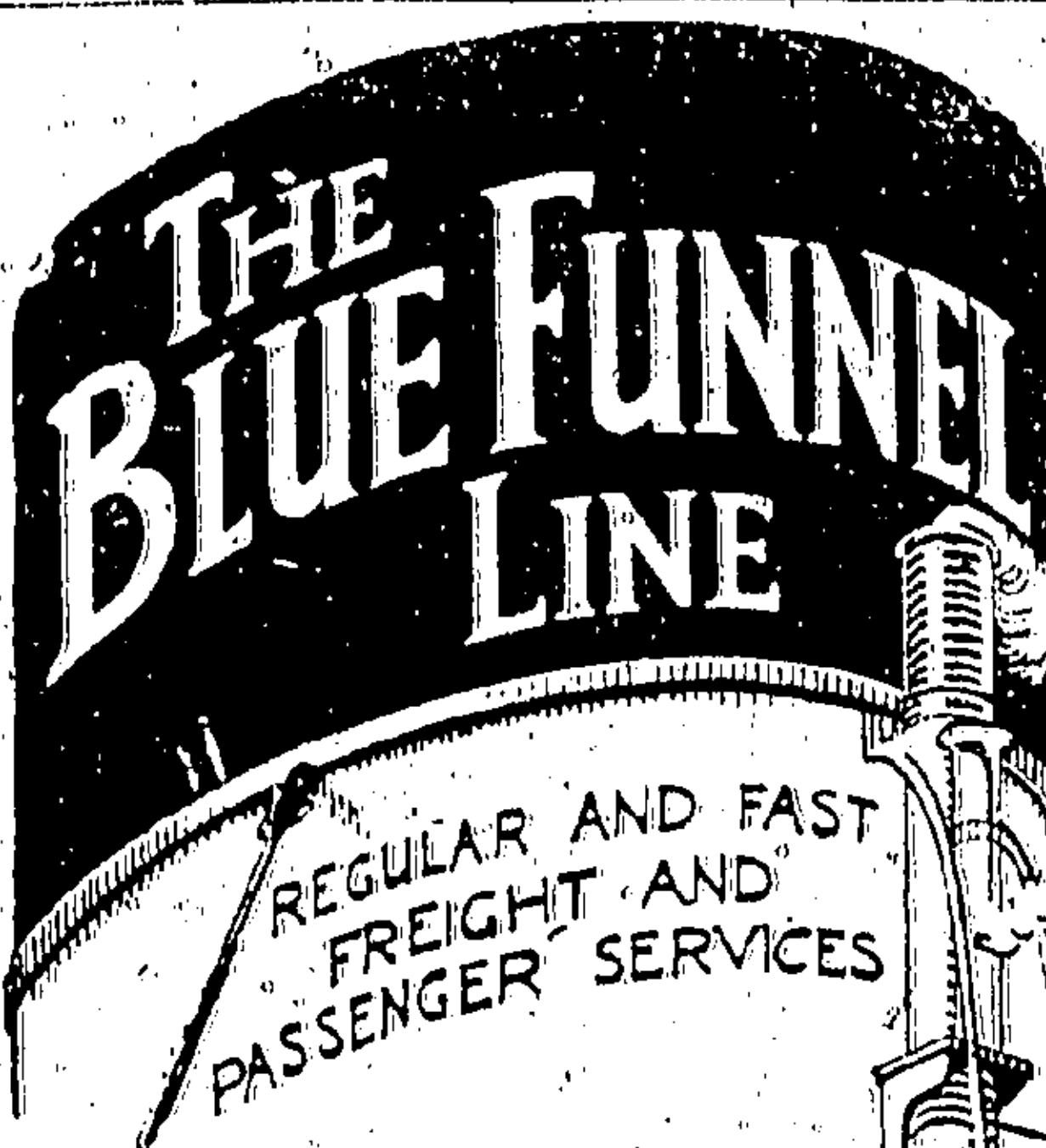
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NOTICES.

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NOTICE.

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Padder Street, on THURSDAY, 22nd April, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th to 22nd April, 1926, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1926.

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FOURTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Royal Building, Ice House Street, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 24th April, 1926, at 11 a.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 16th April, 1926 to 24th April, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
S. J. JORDAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 1st May, 1926, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday 17th April, 1926.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRY FORMS, SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING.

THE DISTANCE for the FIRST RACE, the Colonial Stakes should read "Six Furlongs."

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1926.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

THE Undersigned, going home on leave, begs to inform that MR. LIMAGE has been appointed local Agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes with effect from the 15th instant.

C. R. MOLLIS,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1926.

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Hongkong, 14th April, 1926.

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WHY THE REPORT WAS CIRCULATED.

YUEH WEI-CHUN.

The Kaifeng correspondent of "Kuo Wen" writing under the date of March 20 says that there is no truth in the report that General Yueh Wei-chun, former leader of the Second Kuomintang and General Teng Pao-shan and Li Hou-chun have been killed by the members of the Red Spear Society. It appears that the latter bandit organisation deliberately spread this rumour in order to get the reward of \$250,000 offered by the authorities at Kaifeng for the arrest of General Yueh and his commanders. When about three weeks ago the bandit society wired to Kaifeng and asked for the reward, the authorities hesitated to give credence to the story and decided to refer to Marshal Wu Pei-fu for instructions. Marshal Wu replied saying that the reward should be paid on the production of the dead bodies of the three generals but since then no one has come forward to bring the corpses to Kaifeng.

According to a reliable report General Yueh left by train for Shenchow with a body guard of about ten shortly after the occupation of Chengchow by General Chin Yun-ao's troops. He then went to Tungwan and finally left in the direction of the west. Where he is now cannot be ascertained but that he is still alive is certain. As regards Generals Teng Pao-shan and Li Hou-chun, they are now at Tungwan trying to effect a reorganisation of the remnants of the Second Kuomintang.

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Mr. R. M. Sher, from Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, from Philadelphia.
E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent,
Hongkong Station, 8th April 1926.

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E. A. LEGGATT,
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